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PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Sir:

This amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 is submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed June 27, 2005. No new issues are raised by this amendment. Because the present application is now in condition for allowance, Applicant respectfully requests allowance of the pending claims. Alternatively, Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Amendment for purposes of narrowing the issues upon appeal.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.